



Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program

FY 2014/2015 Funding Opportunity Announcement Questions and Answers

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1. Do you accept NIH formatted biosketches and letters of support?
[The acceptable format is provided in the online application system. Letters of Support are optional.](#)
2. I am working with a researcher on an Alzheimer's Disease Research Program application that would like to include a small subcontract to a public university in Virginia. An administrator at the other university stated that they could not accept a few of your terms and conditions due to Virginia state law. Are your terms and conditions negotiable? Specifically, they have concerns about being governed by the laws of another state considering they are a public university.
[Terms and Conditions are not negotiable.](#)
3. Is there a page limit on the Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program grant?
[Word limits are listed for each section of the application within the online application.](#)
4. Is the applicant who registers to access The Research Management System the Principal Investigator or the institution?
[The Principal Investigator.](#)
5. Modifiable forms for budget and budget narrative - Would you please guide where I can find them? Appendix 2-3 forms are non-editable.
[Budget forms can be downloaded within the online application system.](#)
6. Do we need to submit signed "terms and conditions" document. Appendix 4.
[No.](#)
7. In case of a main applicant, including a multisite/consortia: Is the submitting institution allowed to charge indirect costs on consortium total costs? Is maximum total \$3,000,000? Does the allowed total \$500,000 – 1,000,000 or \$3,000, 000 (in case of consortia) include indirect costs?
[The FOA states that awards are anticipated to be between \\$500,000 and \\$1,000,000, including direct and indirect costs.](#)
8. Your answers to the questions #16, 17, &18 posted on Oct. 24th read as the projects must end on June 30, 2015. While the grants are anticipated to begin on Feb. 2nd 2015. Is it right that the duration of the grants is effectively 5 months?
[Yes.](#)
9. I have questions about providing the graphs, images, and charts in the research strategy. The cut and paste function of the section does not allow showing the graphs, images, and charts. Do data have to come from the published papers which are cited?

You should select the option in the initial group of questions to add a table, figure or graph. This will let you upload a single file, and the single file can contain multiple tables, figures or graphs.

10. If I understand correctly, the Alzheimer's Disease grants will end in 4-5 months if funded in February 2015 (ending June 30th, 2015). I am not certain that I could envision any scientifically meaningful data collection occurring in that time frame or how studies and not sure how reviewers could evaluate the work. Assuming that monies cannot be carried over for a no-cost extension beyond, June 30th, 2015, would it be reasonable to focus the several months of grant funding in developing an infrastructure between 4 collaborating institutions and lay out for reviewers, the studies proposed for competitive State of Florida funding in the next cycle or how this would lead to an infrastructure that would support future NIH funding?

All funds must be expended by June 30, 2015. Projects may include any mechanism, provided it meets one of the areas in the Funding Opportunity Announcement. For example, funding may be used for equipment purchases, and funds may be used for pilot projects.

11. Can costs simply be encumbered prior to June 30, or must all project funds be expended by June 30?

All work must occur and be completed prior to June 30, 2015.

12. It appears that we can propose the work for 5 months (Feb. 2015-June. 2015). Can we propose the budget below \$500K?

No.

13. Are you expecting the budget for costly instrumentation such as CT and MRI for conducting the study? Normally, there is a lead time to get the system installed. What happens if the order is placed but the system is not in place before the grant expiration date?

All work must occur and be completed prior to June 30, 2015. For example, if the grant application proposes the planning, purchase, and configuration of equipment, then the equipment must be in place and all work to configure the equipment must occur and be complete by June 30, 2015.

14. Is it possible to do no cost extension after the grant ends?

Yes.

15. How many grants do you expect to support for each mechanism? Is it true that the allocated fund (3M) could support up to 7-10 grants?

There is no predetermined number of funded grants. The Alzheimer's Disease Research Grant Advisory Board will make recommendations to the State Surgeon General based on scientific merit.

16. What is the Project Period? Is it really only 6 months? Please clarify.

Per the FOA, grants are anticipated to start on February 2, 2015 and expire on June 30, 2015.